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MEMORANDUM FOR : Director of Training

SUBJECT : Proposed Training for Certain DPD Personnel

25X1A 1. This will confirm the substance of discussions held between yourself and [redacted] on 27 February and between Mr. [redacted] 25X1A and certain other members of my staff on 28 February having to do with the above subject.

2. A requirement exists for support and guidance from the Office of Training in the creation and implementation of a syllabus for certain pilot personnel assigned to this Division. As was pointed out in the discussions, we plan to set aside as much as thirty days for this 25X1A training, presumably [redacted]

3. It is requested that your office provide this Division with an outline of suggested courses and other training media which you see fit to recommend as being the most beneficial to our pilots in terms of their mission as you now know it.

25X1C 4. [redacted] will complete the air phase of their training on or about 1 May 1961. Whatever syllabus we can arrive at between now and at that time could be a useful gauge for the larger group of some ten pilots who are expected to require training commencing approximately 1 November 1961.

5. It is generally agreed that the following courses on all denied areas would be basic: escape and evasion, survival in the major climatic regimes, and resistance to interrogation. Possible you may wish to consider several other subjects which appear to us advantageous to cover: secret writing, introduction to Communism, lock picking.

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etc. In addition, we are interested in any existing material on climatology, topography, and culture of the Soviet Union and the Communist Bloc countries. Your early comments are earnestly invited.

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